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## **Beverly Hills City Council Names Three Buildings as Historic Sites**

Beverly Hills, CA – The City Council has named three Beverly Hills buildings to the City's Register of Historic Properties. At the May 7, 2013 formal meeting, the Council adopted recommendations of the Cultural Heritage Commission to include the following historic properties:

- Fox Wilshire Saban Theatre at 8440 Wilshire Blvd.
- Locke House at 801 N. Rodeo Dr.
- Beverly Hills City Hall at 455 N. Rexford Dr.

Listing these properties as City historic sites recognizes them as important to the history of Beverly Hills. Criteria for historic significance include identification with important events in local history; being an excellent example of the work of a master architect; direct association with the lives of significant persons; and having the distinctive characteristics of a style, type, period, or method of construction.

The designation allows the property owners to display a commemorative plaque. Additionally, designating these properties as local landmarks gives the City oversight regarding any future work done to each property, including renovations, additions and any potential demolition.

More information on the City's historic preservation program is available on the City's website at www.beverlyhills.org/historicpreservation.